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For:	METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR SEALING PIPE AND FORMING BARRIERS IN WELL BORES	) ) )	

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This is a response to the Office Action (restriction and/or election requirement) mailed on June 9, 2005.

In the Office Action, the Examiner required restriction for examination purposes to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- I. Claims 1-27, drawn to a method of sealing a pipe in a wellbore, classified in class 166, subclass 295.
- II. Claims 28-54, drawn to a sealing composition, classified in class 507, subclass 219.

In response, Applicant elects Invention II, claims 28-54. Accordingly, please withdraw claims 1-27 without prejudice to Applicants' right to file a divisional application directed to such claims.

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